

DEVON INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

WEEK 8 – 2 DECEMBER 2015

Te Kura Takawaenga o Ngāmotu

Kia ora, Buenos días, Bula vinaka, Namaste, Kia orana, Konnichiwa, Guten tag, Ni hao, Privyet,

Greetings to parents, caregivers and friends of Devon Intermediate

PARENT LINK LUXURY CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

Just a reminder tickets for our Luxury raffle, are available from the school office at just \$2.00 each. Please support us to support your children and help us achieve our fundraising target to proceed with our Adventure playground redevelopment. Ticket sales finish on Monday 14 December with the raffle being drawn 15 December.

1st prize:

2 x 3 day WOMAD passes donated by TAFT, Chilly bag donated by Methanex, Long Johns donated by RD1 and various food items

2nd prize:

Russell Hobbs Colour Control Multi Processor donated by Noel Leeming

3rd prize:

Robot Sweeper donated by Godfreys, Thin Lizzy products, Chelsea Sugar cookbook, various food items and a candle donated by Robertson's Pharmacy

4th prize:

Grocery Hamper donated by whanau from Devon Intermediate and a clock donated by Robertson's Pharmacy

5th prize:

\$100 Brunch voucher for 6 donated by The Bach and a Lumiere lamp donated by Trish McDonald

6th prize:

Canterbury Child's Shirt and Cap donated by Tenderlink, \$20 voucher donated by Paper Plus, Drink bottle donated by Robertson's Pharmacy and various food items.

PARENT LINK BBQ FUNDRAISER

Parent Link has managed to squeeze in a BBQ fundraiser at Noel Leeming this Saturday 12 December between 10.30am and 3pm. We would love some parent helpers, so if you are available can you please register your interest with Marissa or Cathie in the school office, 758 5266.

STUDENT SUCCESSES

Pare'z Hanscombe-Stokes and Pheobe Rangitonga had a successful weekend of Indoor Netball. Their u12 girl's team won their regional tournament in Palmerston on Saturday. They were undefeated throughout the rounds and won the final by a substantial margin. Great work girls!



MANA BIG DAY OUT

The next Mana Day is action packed full of many opportunities and will be held on Thursday 17th December week 10. This day will consist of activities out of school such as; Event Cinemas, The Aquatic Centre, Air Zone and fishing. There are also free activities at school that include a Card Competition, Multi Sports and Theatre Sports. Your child will get the chance to pick one of these exciting choices as long as they have met Mana Expectations at least 80% of the time (16\20 days). All eligible students are welcome to come to school in Mufti at no cost. We hope to see you there. Thank You, The Student Mana Team

FORMAL PRIZEGIVING 2015

Our end of year prize giving is being held on Friday 18 December, 10am. As this is a formal occasion, we expect all students to be in full, correct uniform. Students not wearing the correct uniform will not be attending and will be supervised elsewhere in the school. Parents and caregivers are most welcome to attend prize giving. Parents of students receiving awards will be notified. Students will be dismissed from their classrooms following the prize giving.

SCHOOL CANTEEN

Lunch orders for the School canteen will cease from this Friday 11 December. Please ensure your children are sent to school with lunch next week. Thank you in advance.

END OF YEAR REPORTS

End of Year Reports will be sent home with students on Friday. This report is a summary of your child's achievement, attitude, effort and progress at school this year. Emphasis is also placed on Academy and MANA expectations.

When discussing this report with your child, please emphasise that the most important aspect reported on is the child's attitude and effort. A child with a positive attitude and a willingness to learn is most likely to achieve his/her full potential.

DEVON INTERMEDIATE 2015 GRADUATION BALL – Thursday 10 December, 6.30pm – 9pm

Devon Intermediate is holding our Graduation Ball in the school hall on Thursday 10th December from 6:30pm. The event will be a formal evening, with a variety of structured and social dances, finger food and drink being served by waiters, a photo booth, and will be concluded by the presentation of Graduation Certificates. As the event is formal there will be a dress code:

Girls – Dress or skirt of appropriate length (below mid-thigh), no midriffs showing, no low-cut tops.

Boys – Long pants (jeans must be dress jeans), collared shirt, no hoodies or low-riding pants.

We expect all students to be tidily dressed but strongly discourage the extravagance of highly expensive outfits, limousine rides, salon hairdos and makeup etc. The normal school rules apply which means no cell phones and cameras. Those students on the MANA discipline plan, or who breach any of these rules or dress codes will be refused entry to the Graduation Ball.

All students are to be escorted to the Ball by their parents, and are to be picked up from the hall at the conclusion of the evening (please note that we encourage parents to attend the graduation ceremony beginning at 8:15pm, but if you are unable to attend this ceremony the evening concludes at 8:45).

WAREHOUSE STATIONERY 2016

We are excited to be a part of the new version of Support Your School™ Programme with Warehouse Stationery. The new rebate scheme will help our School raise vital funds to purchase new resources for our children. All parents and members of the public can nominate our school either in-store at one of 66 nationwide stores, or you can enter our unique code BYSU3DR while shopping online.

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MUSIC LESSONS 2016 - UNLOCK YOUR CHILD'S POTENTIAL!

Mike Gordon is pleased to be able to offer the following music lessons beginning Term One 2016:

♪ Beginner guitar

♪ Beginner keyboard / piano

♪ Singing

Lessons are held in school time and cost \$155.00 per term (10 weeks @ \$15.50 per lesson). Small classes of up to 5 students per lesson. Classes are fun whilst your child is being taught how music works. To enrol or get more details, please contact Mike Gordon on 027 932 1947, or email mikegordonmusic2@gmail.com by 28th January 2016 (please note current students do not need to re-enrol).

HOLIDAY ART CLASSES AT THE ART CLUB

We have a wonderful variety of art and craft classes available in January 2016 for children aged 5-13 years. If you'd like to receive the program send an e-mail or text request to Angela at sandsfam@ihug.co.nz or 0211 021 861 or call 7533 747 a/h. Bookings also being taken for after school and Saturday term time classes - Like The Art Club on Facebook :)

JOIN US FOR A CHRISTMAS TREAT

Carrie's Drama Group are proud to present *The Lion, the Witch and The Wardrobe* musical. A wonderful retelling of that famous story - enter the magical world of Narnia. Friday 18th, Saturday 19th & Sunday 20th December at 5pm, at The Peace Hall, Vivian St, opposite Taranaki Cathedral.

Tickets available from the cathedral. Tickets are free, donations on the door. Refreshments available.

Together we can make a difference

J.S. Parkinson

Fiona Parkinson
Principal

DATES TO NOTE

10 December	Graduation Ball, 6.30pm – 8.45pm
18 December	Prizegiving, 10am – 12pm
18 December	Last day of term
1 February	First day of term one